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RESOLUTIONS

OF

THE LEGISLATURE OF KANSAS,

IN FAVOR OF

An appropriation to extend the lines of the public surveys over the unsurveyed portion of the State, and the extinguishment of Indian titles to lands in said State.

FEBRUARY 26, 1862.—Referred to the Committees on Public Lands and Indian Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

MEMORIAL to Congress and concurrent resolutions requesting Congress to extinguish certain Indian titles, and make an appropriation for surveys.

Whereas a large number of loyal citizens are now settled on the Cherokee neutral and Osage lands, and upon the unsurveyed lands belonging to the United States within the State of Kansas; and whereas emigration from other States consequent upon the existing rebellion in the disloyal States is directed to this State; and whereas the surveyed portion of public lands situated in this State is comparatively small, and the Cherokee neutral and Osage Indian lands comprise a large extent of the most desirable and fertile lands in the State, the longer existence of which state of things will inevitably discourage emigration hither, and tend to direct it into new channels: Therefore—

Resolved by the house of representatives of the State of Kansas, the senate concurring therein, That our senators and representatives in Congress be requested to use their most earnest endeavors and influence to procure the necessary appropriation to extend the lines of the public surveys over the unsurveyed portion of the State, and to bring about at the earliest practicable day the extinguishment of the Indian titles to the Cherokee neutral lands, Osage, Pottawatomie, Kickapoo, Sac and Fox, Ottawas, Kansas, Iowa, Sac and Fox of the Missouri, and the absent Shawnee Indian lands.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions be transmitted by the governor to his excellency the President of the United States, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and to our senators and representatives in Congress.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, *February 18, 1862.*

The legislature of the State of Kansas has adopted the accompanying concurrent resolution, No. 9, "requesting Congress to extinguish certain Indian titles, and make an appropriation for surveys."

JOHN FRANCIS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

His Excellency Governor CHARLES ROBINSON.